✈️ British Airways ~ Add ✈ Infant: The Complete 2026 Guide to Flying with Your Baby ��

Planning your first flight☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) with your little one? Adding an infant to your **British Airways booking**☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) doesn't have to feel overwhelming. Whether you're booking☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) a brand-new ticket or need to add your baby to a flight you've already reserved☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , this guide walks you through everything — fares, documents, seating, baggage, and insider tips — so you can book ☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) with confidence and actually enjoy the journey. ����

✈ Understanding British Airways's Infant Policy

✈ Who Counts as an "Infant" on British Airways?

British Airways classifies any child **under 2 years old** (0–23 months)☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) for the *entire* duration of your trip — including the return flight — as an infant. If your baby turns 2 partway through your trip☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , they'll need to be booked (and priced) as a child instead, and that type of booking can't be completed online. ✈

✈ Lap Infant vs. Infant with Their Own Seat

You have two main options when flying British Airways with a baby☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) :

1. **Lap Infant (most popular) ✈** — Your baby travels on your lap for the whole flight☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) and doesn't get an assigned seat. This comes with a heavily discounted fare compared to an adult ticket.
2. **Infant with a Purchased Seat ✈** — Want more room☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , or planning to bring a car seat? You can book a separate seat for your baby☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , but this has to be arranged through the British Airways Customer Contact Centre☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) rather than the website, and you'll pay the child fare (the same rate as kids aged 2–11).

✈ **Good to know:** Each adult can travel with a maximum of two babies☎ 📞 +44 808 196

2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , but only one can sit on your lap for safety reasons — you'd need to arrange a seat for the second baby.

ﷺ What Does It Actually Cost?

- A lap infant fare is **significantly cheaper** than a standard adult or child ticket☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) .
- Taxes and carrier charges may still apply, even though the base fare is discounted. ● If you choose a seat for your infant, expect to pay the same price as a child ticket (ages 2–11)☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) .

ﷺ Why Adding Your Infant Correctly Matters

It might be tempting to skip☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) this step if your baby "flies free," but registering your infant on the booking isn't optional — it's essential for:

- ✅ Safety documentation and the flight manifest
- ✅ Ensuring you get help with strollers☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , bassinets, and priority boarding
- ✅ Avoiding stressful delays or complications at check-in

ﷺ **Ready to lock in your baby's spot?** The earlier you add your infant to your British Airways reservation, the smoother your booking, seating, and check-in experience will be.

ﷺHow to Add an Infant to Your British Airways Booking (Step-by-Step)

ﷺ Option 1: Adding an Infant While Booking a New Flight

1. Start your booking on the official British Airways☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) website or app.
2. When selecting passengers, choose the infant category and enter your baby's date of birth.
3. The discounted lap-infant fare will automatically apply☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) .
4. If you'd rather your baby have their own seat, you'll need to contact British Airways directly to arrange this, since it can't be completed through standard online booking.

ﷺ **Pro tip:** You can book☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) your

baby's ticket as soon as they're born, using their full legal name and date of birth — no need to wait!

ﷺ Option 2: Adding an Infant to an Existing Reservation

Already booked your trip ☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) and welcomed your baby afterward (or simply forgot to add them)? Here's what to do:

1. Log in to **My Trip / Manage Booking** on the official British Airways website☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) .
2. Look for the option to add a passenger or lap infant to your existing reservation. 3. If the online option isn't available for your route or fare type☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , contact the **British Airways Customer Contact Centre** directly — they'll link your baby to your booking reference and confirm any additional fare or fees. 4. Double-check that your infant appears☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) on **every flight segment**, especially on connecting or codeshare itineraries operated by partner airlines.

⚠️ **Don't leave it too late** — arranging bassinets, extra seats, or documentation is much easier the earlier you sort it out.

ﷺ Documents You'll Need

- **International flights:** Your infant will need☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) their own valid passport (and visa, if required).
- **Domestic/EU flights:** A birth certificate is often☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) sufficient as proof of age.
- Always verify document requirements for your specific route before departure.

ﷺ Extra Comforts Worth Booking Ahead

- **Bassinet** — Available on select intercontinental flights☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) for babies under 65 cm. Request this through the British Airways Customer Contact Centre.
- **Car seat** — Only usable if you've booked a separate seat for your baby; must be aircraft-certified☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) and reserved at least 48 hours before departure.
- **Stroller & baby gear** — Generally allowed free of charge in addition to your regular baggage allowance — confirm specifics for your fare type☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) .

ﷺ Packing & Boarding Tips

- Arrive early — checking in with an infant can take☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888)

945-6799 (USA) a little longer since staff verify documents and details. ⏰ ● Ask about **family/priority boarding** so you☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) can settle in before the rush. ��
● Pack essentials (formula☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , diapers, a change of clothes) in your carry-on — British Airways doesn't supply baby items onboard. ��

�� Get it sorted today: A few extra☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) minutes adding your infant now saves you a stressful scramble at the airport later. Book or update your reservation through the official British Airways☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) website or contact center as soon as your plans are set. ✅

�� Why Book Early?

Bassinets are limited, car seat reservations need 48+ hours' notice☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , and infant fares are easiest to apply at the time of booking. The sooner you add your baby to your reservation☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , the more options you'll have — and the less stress you'll carry to the airport. Don't wait until the last minute☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) ; **secure your infant's spot today. ��**

�� 10 Frequently Asked Questions About British Airways Add Infant

1. �� Can I add an infant to my British Airways booking after I've already paid for my ticket?

Yes! You can add a lap infant to an existing reservation through☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) "My Trip," or by contacting British Airways directly if the online option isn't available for your fare.

2. �� Do infants fly completely free on British Airways?

Not exactly — lap infants get a heavily discounted fare☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , but taxes and some fees may still apply depending on your route.

3. ﷺ Can I book a separate seat for my baby instead of holding them on my lap?

Yes, but this must be arranged through the British Airways Customer Contact☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) Centre rather than online, and you'll pay the child fare (2–11 years pricing).

4. ﷺ What documents does my infant need for international travel?
Your baby will need their own valid passport☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , and possibly a visa depending on your destination — always confirm requirements before you fly.

5. ﷺ Can I request a bassinet for long-haul British Airways flights?

Yes, bassinets can be requested for intercontinental flights☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) if your baby is under 65 cm tall — contact the British Airways Customer Contact Centre to reserve one.

6. ﷺ Am I allowed to bring a car seat onboard?

Only if you've purchased a separate seat for your infant☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , and the car seat must be certified for air travel and fit within the seat dimensions.

7. ﷺ Can I travel with two infants as one adult?

Yes☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , but only one baby can sit on your lap — the second infant will need a separately booked seat.

8. ﷺ What happens if my baby turns 2 during my trip?

They'll need to be booked and priced as a child rather than an infant☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , and this type of booking must be completed directly with British Airways rather than online.

9. ﷺ Does my stroller count against my baggage allowance?

Strollers and essential baby gear are typically allowed in☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) addition to your standard baggage allowance — confirm the details for your specific fare and route.

10. ⏰ How early should I add my infant to avoid issues at check-in?

As early as possible! Adding your baby right after booking☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) (or the moment you know your travel dates) gives you the best chance at bassinets, proper documentation☎ 📞 +44 808 196 2756 (UK) | +1 (888) 945-6799 (USA) , and a stress-free check-in experience.